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## ILLEGAL ALIEN INDICTED ON IMMIGRATION CHARGES

- Used a social security card of a U.S. citizen

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that a federal Grand Jury in Louisville **returned an Indictment** charging **GREGORIO LARIOS-GOMEZ a/k/a MIGUEL DE LEON SOTO**, age 24, of 477 Midland Boulevard, Shelbyville, Kentucky, in Shelby County, with falsely representing himself to be a U.S. citizen, and illegal possession and use of another persons social security number.

The Indictment alleges the following: that on or about October 9, 2003, in Jefferson County, Larios-Gomez falsely and willfully represented himself to be a U.S. citizen on an Employment Eligibility Verification form when he was actually a Guatemalian national, and that he unlawfully possessed and used a social security card, issued to another individual, with the intent to falsely represent himself as a U.S. citizen. The purpose of Larios-Gomez's false representation of U.S. citizenship was to secure employment at the Swift & Company meat processing plant in Louisville, Kentucky.

If convicted, the maximum potential penalties are 8 years imprisonment, a \$500,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of no more than 3 years.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Daniel P. Kinnicutt, and it was investigated by the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

**Larios-Gomez** is scheduled to appear for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on November 21, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in Louisville, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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